



**EIGHTMILE RIVER**  
WILD & SCENIC WATERSHED

**1066 Saybrook Road, Haddam, CT 06438**

February 16, 2017

Appropriations Committee  
State Capitol  
Hartford, CT 06106-1562

**RE: Council on Environmental Quality**

Dear Committee Members:

On behalf of the Eightmile River Wild & Scenic Watershed, we are writing to express our strong support for maintaining the Council on Environmental Quality.

The Council on Environmental Quality provides an independent and valuable service monitoring environmental conditions and policies that impact the whole state. It has proven to be a cost-effective Committee with efficient and committed board members and staff. On a local level, it provides an opportunity for municipalities and smaller groups, like the Eightmile River Watershed Committee, to stay abreast of current issues that impact local resources.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to offer support for the Council on Environmental Quality. Please feel free to contact me with any questions at 860.345.8700.

Sincerely,

Patricia Young  
Program Director

Eightmile River Wild & Scenic Watershed